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Docket No. R2000-1

RESPONSE OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE TO INTERROGATORY OF THE OFFICE OF THE CONSUMER ADVOCATE (OCA/USPS-54)

The United States Postal Service hereby provides its response to the following interrogatory of the Office of the Consumer Advocate: OCA/USPS-54, filed on February 8, 2000.

The interrogatory is stated verbatim and is followed by the response.

Respectfully submitted,

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

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Please provide copies of all documents, surveys, survey data, summaries, and/or tabulations created since December 31, 1990, relating to the views of consumers and small business mailers with respect to

- (a) the frequency of changes in the First-Class letters first-ounce postage rate or
- (b) the need for less frequent changes in, and therefore longer periods of stability for, the First-Class letters first-ounce postage rate.

RESPONSE:

No such documents exist.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with section 12 of the Rules of Practice.

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